

ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

Stillwater Building

201 Shore Road, Northfield, New Jersey 08225

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Minutes of Meeting

June 4, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders was called to order by Chairwoman Amy L. Gatto at 6 p.m., Standard Time, on the above-mentioned date, in the Stillwater Building located at 201 Shore Road, Northfield, NJ.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Statement of Open Public Meeting Compliance: Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairwoman Gatto announced that adequate notice of this meeting, as required by said Act, has been published in *The Press of Atlantic City*, and mailed to *The Current*, *The Daily Journal*, *The Hammonton Gazette* and *The Hammonton News*; posted on the bulletin boards at 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, the Stillwater Building, 201 Shore Road, Northfield and the County Clerk's Office in Mays Landing.

PRAYER, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE

The prayer was led by Freeholder Kern, followed by the flag salute led by Chairwoman Gatto.

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was recorded: PRESENT: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. ABSENT: None.

A quorum was present.

MINUTES OF MEETING May 7, 2019

Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to adopt and dispense with the reading of the May 7, 2019 minutes.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Dase.

ORDINANCE NO. 7 FIRST READING Ordinance of the County of Atlantic authorizing acquisition of various Right of Way easements across properties identified as parts of Block 730, 741, and 742 Lots 5.02, 7, 1 and 1 on the tax map Hamilton Township, Atlantic County, New Jersey by means of agreement or by condemnation pursuant to the Eminent Domain Act of 1971, N.J.S.A. 20:3-1, ET SEQ.

Freeholder Bertino moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 7-2019 of the County of Atlantic authorizing acquisition of various Right of Way easements across properties identified as parts of Block 730, 741, and 742 Lots 5.02, 7, 1 and 1 on the tax map Hamilton Township, Atlantic County, New Jersey by means of agreement or by condemnation pursuant to the Eminent Domain Act of 1971, N.J.S.A. 20:3-1, ET SEQ.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 320 Freeholder Risley moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize a grant application to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety for a Drug Enforcement Expert (DRE) Grant in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00 for the period commencing October 1, 2019 and terminating September 30, 2020.

Grant application for a Drug Enforcement Expert (DRE) Grant

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 321 Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Bertino seconded a motion to accept funding from the New Jersey Department of Children and Families for the continued operation of the Atlantic County Family Success Centers and the Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (APPI) for a total amount not to exceed \$924,559.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2019 and terminating June 30, 2020.

Grant acceptance for the continued operation of the Atlantic County Family Success Centers and the Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (APPI)

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

MOTION TO COMBINE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 322 AND 323 Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Formica seconded a motion to combine and adopt Resolution Nos. 322 and 323.

RESOLUTION NO. 322 Insert into the budget of the year 2019 the sum of \$3,000.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services, Mental Health Administrator 2019.

Chapter 159

RESOLUTION NO. 323 Insert into the budget of the year 2019 the sum of \$39,825.00 from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families, Division of Youth and Family Services, SSBG -Youth Services Coordinator 2019.

Chapter 159

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 324 Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into a professional services agreement with Craig Testing Laboratories, Inc., for the provision of material testing services for an amount not to exceed \$100,795.00 for a one year period commencing June 1, 2019 and terminating May 31, 2020.

Professional services agreement for the provision of material testing services

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 325 Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into competitive contracts with various providers for the provision of a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act In-School Youth Program in an amount not to exceed \$394,524.00 for the period commencing July 1, 2019 and terminating June 30, 2020.

Competitive contracts for the provision of a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act In-School Youth Program

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 326 Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to enter into a contract with Huber Locksmiths, Inc., to provide lock repair service and parts at various locations for the total amount not to exceed \$164,300.00 with a 2% discount on parts, to do the work and/or supply the materials as set forth in the contracts.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 327 Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to enter into a lease agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority to lease a portion of the County's property located at 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 328 Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to enter into an alternate method contract with Trapeze Software Group, Inc., d.b.a. TripSpark Technologies for the procurement of 4G Mobile Data Terminals for the Atlantic County Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 329 Freeholder Formica moved and Freeholder Dase seconded a motion to enter into contracts with various providers for the provision of hospice services at the Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at no cost for the period commencing August 1, 2019 and terminating July 31, 2020.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 330 Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Formica seconded a motion to enter into an intergovernmental services agreement with Atlantic County Institute of Technology for student interns at the Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at no cost for the period commencing July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 331 Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to enter into an intergovernmental services agreement with Cumberland County College for clinical observation at the Meadowview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at no cost for the period commencing September 1, 2019 and terminating August 31, 2019.

The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 332 Amendment to the Atlantic County Consortium Annual Action Plans for the Community Development Block Grant Program	Freeholder Kern moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to amend the Atlantic County Consortium Annual Action Plans for the Community Development Block Grant Program at no additional cost. The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
RESOLUTION NO. 333 Resolution in support of Assembly Bill No. 135 and Senate Bill No. 1261 to amend New Jersey's Construction Code for fire safety reasons and better protect firefighters and residents	Freeholder Dase moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion to authorize a resolution in support of Assembly Bill No. 135 and Senate Bill No. 1261 to amend New Jersey's Construction Code for fire safety reasons and better protection for firefighters and residents. The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
RESOLUTION NO. 334 Authorizing roadway solicitation event in the City of Pleasantville	Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Kern seconded a motion authorizing consent for a roadway solicitation event by Pleasantville Junior Jokers Football Organization at the intersection of Delilah Road (CR 646) and Main Street (CR 585) in the City of Pleasantville on Saturday, July 6, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
RESOLUTION NO. 335 Appointment to the Atlantic County Solid Waste Advisory Council	Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to appoint Anthony M. Edge to the Atlantic County Solid Waste Advisory Council for a term to expire on January 1, 2022. The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
RESOLUTION NO. 336 Reappointment to the Atlantic County Utilities Authority	Freeholder Coursey moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion to reappoint Andrew G. Berenato, III to the Atlantic County Utilities Authority for a term to expire on May 1, 2024. The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
RESOLUTION NO. 337 Urging New Jersey Transit to enhance ridership services	Freeholder Dase moved and Freeholder Bennett seconded a motion urging the New Jersey Transit to enhance ridership services (Sponsor: Amy L. Gatto). The above-mentioned motion was adopted by the following roll call: AYES: Bennett, Bertino, Coursey, Dase, Fitzpatrick, Formica, Kern, Risley and Gatto. NAYS: None.
REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD	Freeholder Fitzpatrick reported that the Human Services Advisory Council has ten openings on their Board and is soliciting new members.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	Freeholder Coursey inquired as to the progress of the County-Wide Tax Assessment Committee Meeting with Assemblyman Mazzeo. Freeholder Risley reported that he contacted the Atlantic County Board of Taxation to obtain data.
NEW BUSINESS	There was no new business.

**WRITTEN
COMMUNICATIONS
AND PETITIONS**

Written communications were received by this office for the period of May 22, 2019 through June 4, 2019.

Freeholder Bennett reported that she was contacted by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Unit regarding an issue of the Workforce Development Board and the Family and Community Development employees merging. According to AFSCME, an Ordinance adopted in 2011 separated the two groups. Freeholder Bennett requested County Administrator DelRosso to explain in detail the issue. *Chairwoman Gatto opened the meeting to the public at 6:43 p.m. to discuss the matter (See Public Comments) and closed public portion at 7:16 p.m.*

Chairwoman returned to Written, Communications and Petitions and announced the following: Jersey Shore Bridge Walk to End Gun Violence is on June 8, 2019 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Pleasantville Mayor Tweedle's Fifth Annual Wine Tasting on Saturday, June 15, 2019 and Southern NJ Freeholder Association Dinner on June 24th will be hosted by the Cape May County Board of Freeholders.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS
(AFSCME)**

Sherri Ragland, Vice President of AFSCME Local No. 2302, stated that employees working for the Family and Community Development Department and Workforce Development Board share job titles but different job descriptions. Workforce Development Board should be able to negotiate their own contract. AFSCME was unaware until recently that their certification included the Workforce Development Board employees.

Melanie Griffin, President of AFSCME Local No. 2302 and an employee of the Family and Community Development Department, clarified that they are not two separate units.

Rodney Finks, Workforce Development Board (WDB) employee stated that the WDB is not looking to separate. AFSCME does not consult the WDB employees or provide representation for them.

Joseph Santaglio Workforce Development Board employee explained the various salaries of WDB employees.

David Rogers, Family and Community Development expressed the Local's frustration regarding the delay of approving a contract.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairwoman Gatto opened the public portion at 7:18 p.m.

Christina Hyper of Egg Harbor City and representing Mom's Demanding Action, personally extended an invitation to the Board to attend the Jersey Shore Bridge Walk.

There being no further comments, Chairwoman Gatto closed the public portion at 7:19 p.m.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

There were no comments for the good of the order.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Gatto entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Freeholder Bennett moved and Freeholder Fitzpatrick seconded a motion to adjourn the Freeholder meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sonya G. Harris
Clerk of the Board